



**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**  
**Antitrust Division**

**Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and  
Production Act of 1993 -- Cooperative Research Group on  
Energy Storage System Evaluation and Safety II**

Notice is hereby given that, on February 11, 2019,  
pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative  
Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. § 4301 et  
seq. ("the Act"), Southwest Research Institute -  
Cooperative Research Group on Energy Storage System  
Evaluation and Safety II ("EssEs-II") has filed written  
notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and  
the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its  
membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose  
of extending the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of  
antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified  
circumstances. Specifically, Deere & Company, Moline, IL,  
has been added as a party to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the  
membership or planned activity of the group research  
project. Membership in this group research project remains  
open, and EssEs-II intends to file additional written  
notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On September 21, 2016, EssEs-II filed its original  
notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The

Department of Justice published a notice in the *Federal Register* pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 15, 2016 (81 FR 80087).

The last notification was filed with the Department on February 21, 2017. A notice was published in the *Federal Register* pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on April 4, 2017 (82 FR 16419).

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